2004 Appendix A: Technical Notes Births and Deaths

APPENDIX A: TECHNICAL NOTES

Vital Statistics Registration in Utah

Centralized vital statistics registration for the State of Utah was first established by act of the Utah Legislature in 1905. Sections 26-2-1 through 26-2-28, Utah Code Annotated, 1953 as amended, provide the current statutory authority¹.

Section 26-2-3

(1) The department shall:

- (a) provide offices properly equipped for the preservation of vital records made or received under this chapter;
- (b) establish a statewide vital records system for the registration, collection, preservation, amendment, and certification of vital records and other similar documents required by this chapter and activities related to them, including the tabulation, analysis, and publication of vital statistics;
- (c) prescribe forms for certificates, certification, reports, and other documents and records necessary to establish and maintain a statewide system of vital records;
- (d) prepare an annual compilation, analysis, and publication of statistics derived from vital records; and
- (e) appoint a state registrar to direct the statewide system of vital records.

(2) The department may:

- (a) divide the state from time to time into registration districts; and
- (b) appoint local registrars for registration districts who under the direction and supervision of the state registrar shall perform all duties required by them by this chapter and department rules.

Under Utah's statutes, full-time health officers of local health departments become ex officio local registrars and are responsible for the registration of certificates for all births and deaths that occur within their respective jurisdictions. Figure A-1 is a list of local health departments, registrars and deputy registrars. Each of the twelve local health departments reside over a local health district.

The local health districts (also referred to as "districts" in this report) and respective counties are Bear River (Box Elder, Cache and Rich), Central Utah (Juab, Millard, Piute, Sanpete, Sevier and Wayne), Davis, Salt Lake, Southeastern (Carbon, Emery, Grand and San Juan), Southwest (Beaver, Garfield, Iron, Kane and Washington), Summit, Tooele, TriCounty (Daggett, Duchesne, and Uintah), Utah, Wasatch, and Weber-Morgan (Morgan and Weber). Figure A-2 is a Utah map which shows the county boundaries.

Source of Data

Vital statistics certificates filed with the state Office of Vital Records and Statistics are the primary source of data presented within this report. These records include certificates of live birth, death and fetal death. Source data of official population estimates for the state are provided by the Govenor's Office of Planning and Budget.

Forms for Certificates

Utah's certificates of live birth, death and fetal death are revised periodically to include items on the recommended national "Standard Certificates," with modifications and additions to meet particular needs in Utah. Figures A-3 through A-6 are forms that contain the current data collected for each live birth, death and fetal death record.

Quality and Limitations of Data

Limitations of the data must be recognized before valid interpretation is possible. For vital statistics data, these limitations are related to the difficulties in reporting and classifying information and to some under-registration of events. It is necessary to exercise particular caution when evaluating vital statistics trend data, since medical concepts, code definitions and method of assigning causes of death have changed over the years. There was a major change in the death coding system for data year 1999 when ICD-10 was implemented.

Figure A-1

Local Health Districts, Registrars and Deputy Registrars September 2005

Bear River District 655 East 1300 North Logan, Utah 84341

Registrar: Lloyd C. Berentzen Deputy Registrar: Leslie Olson

Central Utah District 70 Westview Drive Richfield, Utah 84701

Registrar: Robert Resendes Deputy Registrar: Dixie Sorensen

Davis County 50 East State Street P. O. Box 618 Farmington, Utah 84025-0618

Registrar: Lewis R. Garrett Deputy Registrar: Karla Smith

Salt Lake Valley Health Dept. 610 South 200 East Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

Shipp Clinic 4535 S 5600 W

Registrar: Gary Edwards Deputy Registrar: Ellen Freeman

Southeast Utah District 28 South 100 East P.O. Box 800 Price, Utah 84501

Registrar: David Cunningham Deputy Registrar: Jeanne Thompson

Southwest Utah Public Health 168 North 100 East St. George, Utah 84770

Registrar: Pat Thomas

Deputy Registrar: Sandra Stubblefield

Summit County Public Health 85 North 50 East P.O. Box 128

P.O. Box 128 Coalville, Utah 84017

Registrar: Steve Jenkins

Deputy Registrar: RaNae Crittenden

Tooele County 151 North Main Tooele, Utah 84074

Registrar: Myron Bateman Deputy Registrar: Nikki Scow

TriCounty District 147 East Main Vernal, Utah 84078

Registrar: Joseph B. Shaffer Deputy Registrar: Crystal Slaugh

Utah County 151 South University Avenue Provo, Utah 84601

Registrar: Joseph K. Miner Deputy Registrar: Ruth Nelson

Wasatch City/County 55 South 500 East Heber City, Utah 84032-1918

Registrar: Phil D. Wright Deputy Registrar: Janet Norton

Weber-Morgan District 477 23rd Street Ogden, Utah 84401

Registrar: Gary House
Deputy Registrar: Lynette Satterfield

Figure A-2

MAP OF UTAH WITH COUNTY BORDERS

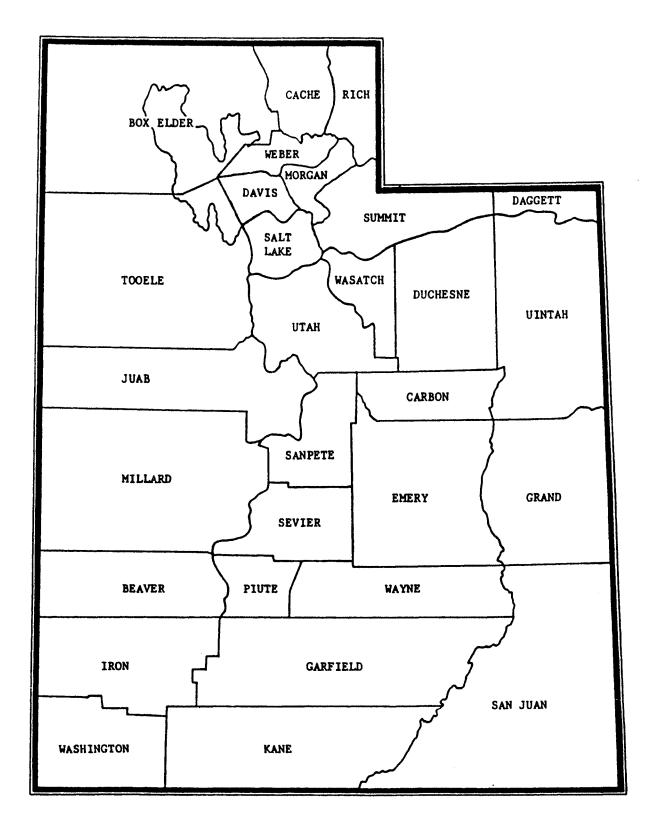


Figure A-3

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Figure A-4

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5 Placenta previa
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11 Breect/Majpresentation
12 Cephalopelvic disproportion
13 Cord prolapse
14 Anasthetic complications
15 Fetal distress
16 Other (specify) BIRTH LIVE BIRTHS not include this child) 37. COMPLICATIONS OF LAI (Check all that apply) OF LAST LIVE <u>2</u> 35 ANTEPARTUM PRO c fetal of tion of labo. 2 Vaginal birth after previous C-seglic n of labor tesis 3 Primary C-sect ow Living Month, Day None U/1 Amnio Á 2 Eleç 3.1% 34a | Or Anemia (Hct. 30Hgb. 410) | Or Anemia (Hct. 30Hgb. 410) | Or Cardiac Arrest | Or Cardiac Arrest | Or Acute or chronic lung disease | 21 Pre-Existing diabetes (Type I or II) | 22 Gestational Diabetes | Or Genital Herpes | Or Genital Herpes | Or Genital Herpes | Or Hernoglobinopathy | Or Polyhydramnios/Oligohydramnios 17b. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER 18b. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER 09 Hypertension, pregnancy assoc 29. MEDICAL RISK FACTORS NOR PREGNANCY (check all that app 4 Other Hist 12 Previous infant 4000+ gram 08 Hypertension, chronic
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Figure A-5

STATE OF UTAH - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH Access to information on this form is limited under the Vital Statistics Act and Rules CERTIFICATE OF DEATH STATE FILE NUMBER LOCAL FILE NUMBER I. NAME OF DECEDENT FIRST MIDDLE 3a. DATE OF DEATH (Mo., Day, Yr.) 3b. TIME OF DEATH (24 hr. clock) 5. AGE- Last Birthday | IF UNDER 1 YEAR | IF UNDER 24 HRS. | 6. BIRTHPLACE (City & State or Foreign Country) | 7. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER | Months | Days | Hours | Minutes | 4. DATE OF BIRTH (Mo., Day, Yr.) 8b. NAME OF HOSPITAL, NURSING HOME OR OTHER FACILITY (if outside a facility, give street address of location) 5. Nursing Home 6. Residence (any) 1. Inpatient 2. ER/Outpatient 3. DOA 7. Other (specify) 9. SINRVIVING SPOUSE (if wife, give maiden name) 8d COUNTY OF DEATH 8c. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION OF DEATH done 12b. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY DECEDENT 10. WAS DECEDENT EVER IN THE U.S. ARMED FORCES? 11 MARITAL STATUS 12a. DECEDENT'S USUAL OC during most of working life (Give kind of work 1. Never Married 3. Widowed 1. Yes 2. No 2. Married 4. Divorced 13a. RESIDENCE - STREET AND NUMBER 13b. CITY, TOWN OR COMMUNITY 13c. COUNTY 13d STATE 13e. INSIDE CITY 13f. ZIP CODE LIMITS? RACE - Black, White, Am. Indian (tribe may be enter Japanese, etc. (Specify) 16. EDUCATION (specify only highest grade completed) Elementary or Secondary (0-12) College (13-16 or 17+) 14. WAS DECEDENT OF HISPANIC ORIGIN? (if yes, Specify) 1. Yes 2. No 1. Yes 2. Cuban 2. No 3. Puerto Rican 4. Other (St 18. MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER (First, Mi 17. FATHER'S NAME (First, Middle, Last) PARENTS 19. NAME, RELATIONSHIP AND MAILING ADDRESS OF INFORMANT INFORMANT 21a, DATE OF DISPOSITION 21b. PLACE O 20. METHOD OF DISPOSITION ISPOSITION (name 21c. LOCATION - City or Town, State SE PERMANENT BLACK INK 1. Entombment 2. Donation 3. Other 4. Burial 5. Cremation 6. Removal DISPOSITION 22. SIGNATURE OF FUNERAL SERVICE LICENSEE 23. LICENSEE NUMBER 24. FUNERAL HOME (Name and address) 26. If not certified by medical examiner was death relifiyes, enter the date and hour reported. 1. Yes ed to M.E.? 25. DATE DECEASED WAS LAST ATTENDED BY CERTIFYING PHYSICIAN M.E. CASE NO. 27a. CERTIFIER 1. CERTIFYING PHYSICIAN: To the best of my knowledge, d MEDICAL EXAMINER/LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL: cause(s) and manner as stated. CERTIFIER On the b 27c. LICENSE NUMBER 27d. DATE SIGNED (Month, Day, Year) 27b. SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF CERTIF 28. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO CERTIFIED THE CAUSE OF DEATH (THE 30a. DATE REGISTRAR NOTIFIED OF DEATH 30b. DATE FILED (Mo., Day, Yr.) (Mo., Day, Yr.) 29. REGISTRAR'S SIGNATURE REGISTRAR INJURIES, OR COMPLICATIONS THAT CAUSED THE DEATH. DO NOT ENTER THE MODE OF DYING, SUCH AS CARDIAC NEST, SHOCK OR HEART FAILURE. LIST ONLY ONE CAUSE ON EACH LINE. ENTER THE DISEASES OR RESPIRATORY AR Approximate Interval Between Onset and IMMEDIATE CAUSE (Final disease or condition AS A CONSEQUENCE in death) DUE TO (O Sequentially list conditions, it any, leading to immediate cause. Enter UNDERLYING CAUSE (disease of injury that initiated events resulting in DUE TO OR AS A CONSEQUENCE OF) ENCE OF DUF TO A CONSEQU initiated è death) LA PART II. Other Significant Conditions corbut not resulting in the underlying cause of 32. IN YOUR INION, TOBACCO USE BY THE DECEDENT: 33a, WAS AN AUTOPSY 33b, WERE AUTOPSY FINDINGS AVAILABLE
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35e. LOCATION (Street or rural route number, city or town, county and state.,

2. Accident

4. Homicide

Investigation

Undetermined 6. Pending

1. Natural

3. Suicide

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Form 12, Rev. 12/98 If injured

Purposely or Accidently 1. Yes 2. No

35g. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED (enter sequence of events which resulted in injury, NATURE OF INJURY should be entered in item 31)

 If motor vehicle accident specify if decedent was driver, passenger or pedestrian.

Figure A-6

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STATE OF UTAH - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FETAL DEATH CERTIFICATE

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Registration of Births and Fetal Deaths

The completeness of registration for births was last tested at the state level in conjunction with the 1950 U.S. Census of the Population and was found to be 98.7 percent complete at that time. At the present time, more than 99 percent of all Utah's resident births occur in hospitals. This fact, coupled with information from sample studies, indicates that the completeness of birth certificate registration now exceeds 99 percent.

The registration of fetal deaths at 20 weeks or more gestation is required by statute. Since May 1981, the institution where the delivery occurs has the responsibility for filing a fetal death certificate if the delivery results in a fetal death. Fetal death certificates are to be registered by the fifth day after the delivery and before disposition of the remains.

Most deliveries (99%) occur in hospitals and women who miscarry unexpectedly at 20 weeks or more are usually taken to a hospital if they are not already there. Funeral directors are responsible for checking that a fetal death certificate has been filed for all such dispositions they handle.

Limitation of Small Numbers

All statistics are subject to chance variation. Such random variation in a large number of events has little effect on the data for the group; however, random variation in a small number of events may result in a startling change in the data for the group. For example, minor differences in the number of births or deaths in small populations or in the number of deaths from uncommon causes may result in large changes in these rates. Rates for areas of small population or for events with few occurrences should be interpreted with this limitation in mind.

Cause of Death

Cause of death statistics are derived from the medical certification information required by law to be reported on the death or fetal death certificate by the attending physician or medical examiner. The medical certification item on certificates of death and fetal death has a provision for reporting three causes of death--immediate, intervening, and underlying, plus additional information related to the cause of death.

The cause of death selected for coding and tabulating mortality statistics is the "underlying cause of death," which is generally defined as the disease or injury which initiated the sequence of morbid events leading directly to death.

Occasionally death certificates are registered with the cause of death information incomplete, inconsistent, or equivocal, and additional information from the center is not available. In such cases, selection and modification rules are used to select the underlying cause of death for statistical purposes. Selection and modification rules which adapt the coding procedures to reporting practices in the United States are published by the Public Health Service, National Center for Health Statistics, in annual editions of the Vital Statistics Instructional Manual.

The Eighth Revision of the International Classification of Diseases was used to code the underlying cause of death on Utah's death certificates for data years 1968 through 1978. The Ninth Revision of the International Classification of Diseases was used to code the underlying cause of death in Utah for data years 1979-1998, and the current Tenth Revision was used to code the 1999-2003 data in this report.

Comparability ratios between revisions are computed by the National Center for Health Statistics and are published in Utah's Vital Statistics: Births and Deaths, 1980 for the earlier revision and can be found on our web site as described in the preface of this publication for the new and current version. Comparability ratios for some cause of death codes show extreme variations and utmost caution should be taken in interpreting any cause of death trends that span the Eighth and Ninth Revisions² or the Ninth and Tenth Revisions³ of the International Classification of Diseases.

Geographic Bases

Birth and death data can be presented by place of occurrence of the event or by place of usual residence of the individual. For deaths, "place of residence" for the decedent is defined as the usual residence of the decedent. For births, "place of residence" for the child is defined as the usual residence of the mother.

Reallocation of birth and death certificates to the state of residence has been virtually complete on a nationwide basis since 1955. This is made possible by a cooperative program among the states for exchange of copies of certificates of non-resident events for statistical purposes only.

For analytical purposes, sometimes it is meaningful to tabulate accidental deaths by place of occurrence rather than by place of residence. Statistical tabulations of accidental deaths "by place of occurrence" refer to the place where the death occurred, and not the place where the accident occurred. A hypothetical example may help to clarify the above explanation. Assume that a resident of Denver, Colorado is involved in a motor vehicle accident in Wendover, Nevada and requires emergency aid of a special nature. The closest available facility is the Tooele Valley Hospital in Tooele, Utah. After arriving at the hospital, the patient succumbs to conditions arising from the accident. In such cases, the "place of occurrence" of the death for statistical purposes would be Tooele, Utah, not Wendover, Nevada; however, there can also be a table of accidental deaths by place where the accident occurred, In this example, the death would be classfied as an accidental death to a non-resident which occurred in Utah. The place where the accident occurred would be out-of-state (Wendover, Nevada).

Race/Ethnic Origin

The Utah Department of Health began tabulating birth data by race of mother in the 1990 data year. Prior to 1990, birth data was tabulated by race of infant.

This change corresponds to the 1989 revision of the Utah birth certificate. Caution should be used when comparing the racial classification of birth data prior to 1990 with data collected in 1990 and later. An explanation of the factors that brought about the racial classification change of birth data and the problems of analyzing the trend data is available in Utah's Vital Statistics Annual Report: 1990.

¹ Utah State Legislature; Utah Code and Constitution/Title 26 -- Utah Health Code Sections 26-2-1 through 26-2-28 (Utah Code Annotated, 1953); Laws/Constitution web site www.le.state.ut.us.

² National Center for Health Statistics, "Estimates of selected comparability ratios based on dual coding of 1976 death certificates by the Eighth and Ninth Revisions of the International Classification of Diseases"; Monthly Vital Statistics Report, Vol. 28, No. 11(S); February 29, 1980.

³ National Center for Health Statistics, (a) "Comparability of cause of death between ICD-9 and ICD-10: Preliminary estimates"; National Vital Statistics Report; Vol. 49, No. 2; 2001 and (b) "Deaths: Final data for 1999"; National Vital Statistics Reports: Vol. 49, No. 8; 2001.